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1. The Central Prison in Skoplje, which can accommodate approximately 1,500 prisoners, serves as a temporary detention prison for persons convicted of minor political crimes and as a penitentiary for persons convicted of serious political or other crimes.
2. The warden of the prison was a Major Orlov from Negotin. The prison was under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Interior of the Macedonian Republic.
3. Those persons imprisoned for minor crimes must serve a probationary term at Central Prison. After the probationary term had been served, the prisoners were sent to forced labor camps or prisons, depending on the disposition made by the Central Prison authorities.
4. Most prisoners who served their terms in Central Prison were kept in large cells which accommodated between 20 and 80 persons each. The prisoners slept on straw mattresses on the floor in sleeping areas 30 centimeters wide by 200 centimeters long. For prisoners convicted of serious crimes, there were cells one by one and one-half meters, and two by three meters.
5. Food given the prisoners daily consisted of 250 grams of bread, soup, beans, unpeeled potatoes, cabbage or macaroni. To supplement this diet, prisoners were permitted to receive monthly a food package of five kilograms.
6. The discipline in the prison was harsh. Even for minor infractions, prisoners were subjected to beating, reduction of food, or confinement in cells 40 centimeters by 120 centimeters. Some prisoners were confined in a "cement coffin" for 24 hours.
7. There were other prisons in the following localities in Macedonia:
  - a. Idrizovo - 3,000 to 4,000 prisoners.
  - b. Otoshevo, on Lake Prespa - 1,000 prisoners.

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- c. Saraj - 600 prisoners.
- d. Kavadarci - 500 prisoners.
- e. Radebor, in Bitolj district - 400 prisoners.
- f. Staro Selo on Crna Reka, Bitolj district - 500 prisoners.
- g. Tetovo.
- h. Stip.

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